Greetings!

On Thursday, October 29, elected officials, representatives from Dr. Pepper Snapple, Knouse Fruit Company, Pella Corporation, R.H. Sheppard, Schindler Elevator, Snyders Lance, Utz Quality Foods, community members, HACC faculty, staff and students celebrated the opening of the campuses second technical career program – Mechatronics! Current mechatronics student and Littlestown high school graduate, Zachary Brown, captured everyone’s enthusiasm by stating “This program is everything I wanted.” It is also everything our Manufacturing community has wanted for many years. On campus delivery of the program has been twenty-four years in the making. The Gettysburg Campus offered our first industrial electricity class in 1991. >

Another highlight of the evening was the announcement of our first Gettysburg Campus Mechatronics scholarship as part of HACC’s Invest, Impact and Inspire comprehensive four year fundraising campaign. The Cline Family Foundation Scholarship award was established in memory of Thomas L. Cline, founder and former chairman of TimBar Packaging and Display Company. The scholarship will provide at least one award per year covering 25% of a full-time student’s tuition or 50% of a part-time student’s tuition, with the option for the scholarship to renew each semester for up to four semesters.
FAREWELL TO SALLY FEESER

On October 1, the Library staff hosted a luncheon to celebrate Sally Feeser’s retirement. Sally has exciting plans for her retirement. She is expecting her first grandchild (a boy) in early November and her second grandchild (a girl) in mid-January!!! She is going to be busy with babysitting as well as spending more time with her 91 year old mother and supervising her church library. With her husband having retired in July, Sally was eager to spend more time with her family.

Best wishes to Sally and her family!

GIVE BACK HACC

As our first community partner in the Give Back HACC annual food drive, Pastor Kim Blocher of the Arendtsville Zion United Church of Christ recently delivered 25 Sunoco gasoline cards valued at $25 each for students identified as eligible for our Give Back HACC program.

The Student Government’s annual Halloween Cupcake Sale was a huge success! Selling out of 426 cupcakes in less than three days, a total of $271.36 was donated to the Give Back HACC campaign.

SECURITY BIKE PATROL

“Life is like riding a bicycle. In order to keep your balance, you must keep moving.”

~Albert Einstein

That is exactly what Ed Baltzell plans to do as he patrols the parking lots!
FALL OPEN HOUSE

On Saturday, October 17 over 40 prospective students attended our Fall Open House event. Thank you to Sara Maines who organized a very interactive day with opportunities for prospective students to tour the campus, explore Career and Transfer program options, learn more about HACC’s Health Careers, Mechatronics, Biology and English and Humanities programs and meet with financial aid staff. Thank you to the following Gettysburg campus staff and faculty who participated in the event Howard Alexander, Dianne Brooks, Angie Buchanan-Bloch, Cynthia Garcia, Bill Hartzell, Shannon Harvey, Rich Hebel, Lisa Graham-Herrick, Jessica Knouse, Betty Kopp, Jill Lott, Sara Maines, Scott Simonds, and Betsy Wood.

< Congratulations to Andrew Moffitt, who was the recipient of the Fall Open House $1,000 tuition give-away! Andrew plans to attend HACC-Gettysburg as a transfer student in the spring.
LEADERSHIP LESSONS FROM THE CIVIL WAR

Faculty and staff recently participated in a unique campus CITE offering entitled Leadership Lessons from the Civil War. This three session series included a walk to the Peace Light Memorial, a tour of Culp’s Hill on Segway’s, and a bicycle ride to Big & Little Roundtop and the Pickett’s Charge area of the battlefield. Thank you to CITE coordinator Diane Bittle and instructors Terry Havel and Charlie Fennell for this unique wellness and leadership opportunity.

^ Carol Williams, Wendy Kaehler, Diane Bittle, Kathleen Pratt, Wendy Brubaker, Charlie Fennel, Cinnamon Hosterman and Terry Havel

< Doug Lott, Cinnamon Hosterman, Dory Uhlman, Charlie Fennell, Scott Decker, Jill Lott and Diane Bittle
ART182 and HUM101 classes, as well as Terry Havel’s HIST102 class recently traveled to Washington, D.C. to visit the National Gallery of Art, the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History, the Holocaust Museum and Ford’s Theatre. Thank you Ilene and Terry for organizing the trip!

<Front row: Michael Dropko, Amanda DeJesus, Nicholas Bell, Olivia Kehring, Ilene Rosenberg
Absent from the photo: Terry Havel and student Abby Rasinska

AMIGOS DE LA COMUNIDAD AWARDS

On Saturday, October 17th Manos Unidas hosted the 5th annual Amigos de la Comunidad Awards ceremony. Howard Alexander, Cynthia Garcia, Scott Simonds and Shannon Harvey attended the event which included food, music, dancing and a silent auction! The awards are presented to individuals who go beyond what is expected of them in order to share their treasures through work, education, advocacy and representation, volunteering, good business and healthcare practices, and simply being good neighbors. This year’s recipients were:

- Juan Maldonado (health)
- Don Marritz (advocacy)
- Jim Conrad (education)
- Jim and Donna Newman (good neighbors)
- Debbie Drobenak (community volunteer).

Jennifer Weaver was a 2011 recipient. Thank you to Cynthia Garcia who represents HACC on the Manos Unidas board of directors.
SEPSIS LECTURE

Dr. Charles Marley, vice president for medical affairs, Wellspan Gettysburg Hospital accepted nursing instructor Caren LaRue’s invitation to present a lecture on Sepsis to the third and fourth semester nursing clinical students. Sepsis is a serious medical issue in the U.S., affecting as many as 750,000 hospitalized patients in the U.S. annually, according to data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Although it's present in only a tenth of all patients who are admitted to the hospital, sepsis contributes to up to half of all hospital deaths in the U.S. This is Dr. Marley’s second year presenting the program to HACC nursing students. He stresses the important role that nurses play in preventing Sepsis through utilization of standardized protocols (Powerplans).

The MEN OF COLOR WORKGROUP has completed its research and recommendations have been submitted and approved. The complete document can be found in MyHACC, either by searching the documents channel for “men of color” or by visiting the Student and Academic Success Resources page (HACC Applications, Student Affairs Resources, Student and Academic Success Resources). A summary of upcoming initiatives includes the following:

- Ten individuals will attend a “teaching men of color in the community college” online course and share their knowledge on each campus via CITE partnerships and other campus-based opportunities
- Opportunities for students to come together to discuss topical issues such as networking, dressing for success, resume development, etc. will be deployed on each campus
- A network of support for male students of color will be developed in conjunction with both HACC and external resources
- We will build a supportive coaching model through counseling and advising

Many thanks to those who participated and to the strategic planning funding that supported this work: Alexis Aaronson, Rabyia Ahmed, Hayden Allison, Cavil Anderson, Mary Arnold, Tim Barshinger, Mary Brown, Wendy Brubaker, Monica Dixon, Tannisha Fuentes, Cynthia Garcia, Ming Gao, Valerie Gray, Maurice Jones, Mary Jo Keiter, Camelia Maianu, Crystal Myers, Christine Nowik, Mary Prescott, Ruth Purgason, Mary Richards, Jazmin Simpson, LaShana Stokes, Mary Vukoder, Janice Waltz, Michael Williams, Errol Wizda and Karen Woodring
HALLOWEEN QUEENS REIGN

Halloween Queens, Dory Uhlman and Jessica Knouse, did a great job generating enthusiasm and participation in our campus costume day!
A NEW LOOK FOR ON-LINE REGISTRATION!
Exciting changes are coming to the self-service registration experience. The pages include a brand new look and, most important, improved functionality for course search and schedule building. The change will take effect on Monday, Nov. 9, 2015.

The new registration features include:
- Enhanced course search features
- Weekly calendar view of the schedule
- “One-click” registration that allows the student to build their schedule on their calendar
- Conditional add/drop feature that allows the student to check course availability before dropping the first course
- Schedule planning prior to registration that allows building a schedule prior to the start of registration and using “one click” registration on the first day of registration
- Selection to email a copy of their schedule to their email account and also to their iCalendar

PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE CELEBRATION
At the recent Virtual Learning iTunes U event held at the Harrisburg Campus, the “past, present, and future” of HACC’s iTunes U initiative was celebrated. Jason Rosenberry received a certificate of appreciation for his innovative leadership and original contributions to HACC’s iTunes U Courses.

In addition, Qiquan Wang was recognized for his outstanding leadership of this initiative, and Dr. Alfred Siha, assistant professor of English was honored as an Apple Distinguished Educator.

< Qiquan Wang and Jason Rosenberry
THE EGGS HAVE ARRIVED!

Gettysburg Campus is now the proud parent of 359 brook trout eggs delivered by the PA Fish and Boat Commission. The eggs have been placed in a nest basket in the top of the aquarium in Room 114. If you want to get a look, open the insulated lid of the tank and take a quick peek. Do not linger though, the eggs and babies prefer the dark. The next month is critical for the eggs. Biology professor Bill Hartzell urges us not to disturb the eggs more than need be.

Once the eggs do start to hatch and swim about, Bill will be organizing volunteers to help tend the trout through to the end of spring term when they will be released to a local stream. If you’re interested in volunteering, contact Bill.

MARY BOTTORFF HONORED

The Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce recently honored HACC Gettysburg Campus former director of counseling and advising, Mary Bottorff. Mary served on the Gettysburg Adams Chamber board of directors for nine years. Her first appointment to the Chamber Board was as the campuses representative. After retiring from HACC, Mary remained on the Chamber Board and continued to promote HACC to the Adams county business community.

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